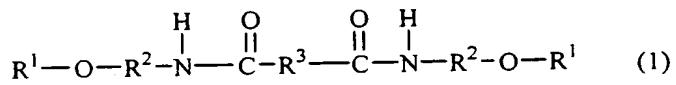


CLAIMS

1. A dermatologic preparation, which comprises a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



(wherein, R^1 represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R^2 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^3 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

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2. A dermatologic preparation according to claim 1, which is a cosmetic preparation.

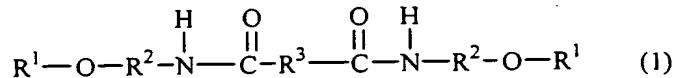
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3. A dermatologic preparation as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein R^1 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may have 1 to 3 substituents selected from a hydroxy group and C_{1-6} alkoxy groups, R^2 represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^3 represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 2 to 34 carbon atoms.

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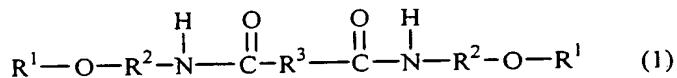
4. A humectant comprising, as an effective

ingredient, a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



5 (wherein, R^1 represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R^2 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^3 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

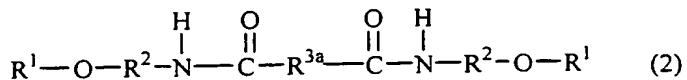
10 5. A skin barrier function reinforcing agent comprising, as an effective ingredient, a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



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(wherein, R^1 represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R^2 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^3 represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

20 6. A diamide derivative represented by the following formula (2):



(wherein, R¹ represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R² represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^{3a} represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 11 to 42 carbon atoms).

7. A diamide derivative according to claim 6, wherein R¹ represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may have 1 to 3 substituents selected from a hydroxy group and C₁₋₆ alkoxy groups, R² represents a linear or branched alkylene group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R^{3a} represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 12 to 34 carbon atoms.